

Whereas, because of the Chairman's proposal and with nearly half of the First Session of the 109th Congress having expired, the committee has been unable to carry out its charge, set out in Rule XI, to investigate allegations of misconduct by Members and staff;

Whereas, the Committee's resulting inability to carry out its duties has subjected the House to public ridicule and produced contempt for the ethics process, thus bringing discredit to the House; now be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct is hereby directed to proceed in accord with clause 3(g) of rule XI, to appoint, upon an affirmative vote of the majority of the Members of the Committee, a non-partisan professional staff.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON). In the opinion of the Chair, the resolution constitutes a question of privileges of the House.

MOTION TO TABLE OFFERED BY MR. BLUNT

Mr. BLUNT. Mr. Speaker, I move to table the resolution.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, am I correct that if the gentleman from Missouri's motion prevails, that we will be unable to discuss the substance of the motion made by the minority leader?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The adoption of the motion to table would dispose of the resolution.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to table offered by the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT).

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 219, noes 199, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 240]

AYES—219

Aderholt	Burgess	Diaz-Balart, M.
Akin	Burton (IN)	Doolittle
Alexander	Buyer	Drake
Bachus	Calvert	Dreier
Baker	Camp	Duncan
Barrett (SC)	Cannon	Ehlers
Bartlett (MD)	Cantor	Emerson
Barton (TX)	Capito	English (PA)
Bass	Carter	Feeney
Beauprez	Castle	Ferguson
Biggart	Chabot	Fitzpatrick (PA)
Bilirakis	Chocola	Flake
Bishop (UT)	Coble	Foley
Blackburn	Cole (OK)	Forbes
Blunt	Conaway	Fortenberry
Boehlert	Crenshaw	Fossella
Boehner	Cubin	Fox
Bonilla	Culberson	Franks (AZ)
Bonner	Cunningham	Frelinghuysen
Boozman	Davis (KY)	Galleghy
Boustany	Davis, Jo Ann	Garrett (NJ)
Bradley (NH)	Davis, Tom	Gerlach
Brady (TX)	Deal (GA)	Gibbons
Brown (SC)	DeLay	Gilchrest
Brown-Waite,	Dent	Gillmor
Ginny	Diaz-Balart, L.	Gingrey

Gohmert	Mack	Rogers (AL)	Peterson (MN)	Schiff	Tierney
Goode	Manzullo	Rogers (KY)	Pomeroy	Schwartz (PA)	Towns
Goodlatte	Marchant	Rogers (MI)	Price (NC)	Scott (GA)	Udall (CO)
Graves	McCaull (TX)	Rohrabacher	Rahall	Scott (VA)	Udall (NM)
Green (WI)	McCotter	Ros-Lehtinen	Rangel	Serrano	Van Hollen
Gutknecht	McCrery	Royce	Reyes	Sherman	Velázquez
Hall	McHenry	Ryan (WI)	Ross	Skelton	Visclosky
Harris	McHugh	Ryun (KS)	Rothman	Slaughter	Wasserman
Hart	McKeon	Saxton	Roybal-Allard	Smith (WA)	Schultz
Hastings (WA)	McMorris	Schwarz (MI)	Ruppersberger	Snyder	Waters
Hayes	Mica	Sensenbrenner	Rush	Solis	Watson
Hayworth	Miller (FL)	Sessions	Ryan (OH)	Spratt	Watt
Hefley	Miller (MI)	Shadegg	Sabo	Stark	Waxman
Hensarling	Miller, Gary	Shaw	Salazar	Stupak	Weiner
Herger	Moran (KS)	Shays	Sánchez, Linda	Tanner	Wexler
Hoekstra	Murphy	Sherwood	T.	Tauscher	Woolsey
Hostettler	Musgrave	Shimkus	Sanchez, Loretta	Taylor (MS)	Wu
Hunter	Myrick	Shuster	Sanders	Thompson (CA)	Wynn
Hyde	Neugebauer	Simmons	Schakowsky	Thompson (MS)	
Inglis (SC)	Ney	Simpson			
Issa	Northup	Smith (NJ)			
Istook	Norwood	Smith (TX)			
Jenkins	Nunes	Sodrel			
Jindal	Nussle	Souder			
Johnson (CT)	Osborne	Stearns			
Johnson (IL)	Otter	Sullivan			
Johnson, Sam	Oxley	Tancredo			
Jones (NC)	Paul	Taylor (NC)			
Keller	Pearce	Thomas			
Kelly	Pence	Thornberry			
Kennedy (MN)	Peterson (PA)	Tiahrt			
King (IA)	Petri	Turner			
Kingston	Pickering	Upton			
Kirk	Pitts	Walden (OR)			
Kline	Platts	Walsh			
Knollenberg	Poe	Wamp			
Kolbe	Pombo	Weldon (FL)			
Kuhl (NY)	Porter	Weldon (PA)			
Latham	Price (GA)	Weller			
LaTourette	Pryce (OH)	Westmoreland			
Leach	Putnam	Whitfield			
Lewis (CA)	Radanovich	Wicker			
Lewis (KY)	Ramstad	Wilson (NM)			
Linder	Regula	Wilson (SC)			
LoBiondo	Rehberg	Wolf			
Lucas	Reichert	Young (AK)			
Lungren, Daniel	Renzi	Young (FL)			
E.	Reynolds				

NOES—199

Abercrombie	DeGette	Langevin
Ackerman	Delahunt	Lantos
Allen	DeLauro	Larsen (WA)
Andrews	Dicks	Larson (CT)
Baca	Dingell	Lee
Baird	Doggett	Levin
Baldwin	Doyle	Lewis (GA)
Barrow	Edwards	Lipinski
Bean	Emanuel	Lofgren, Zoe
Becerra	Engel	Lowey
Berkley	Eshoo	Lynch
Berman	Etheridge	Maloney
Berry	Evans	Markey
Bishop (GA)	Farr	Marshall
Bishop (NY)	Fattah	Matheson
Blumenauer	Filner	Matsui
Boren	Ford	McCarthy
Boswell	Frank (MA)	McCollum (MN)
Boucher	Gonzalez	McDermott
Boyd	Gordon	McGovern
Brady (PA)	Green, Al	McIntyre
Brown (OH)	Green, Gene	McKinney
Brown, Corrine	Grijalva	McNulty
Butterfield	Gutierrez	Meehan
Capps	Harman	Meek (FL)
Capuano	Herseth	Meeks (NY)
Cardin	Higgins	Melancon
Cardoza	Hinche	Michaud
Carnahan	Hinojosa	Millender-
Carson	Holden	McDonald
Case	Holt	Miller (NC)
Chandler	Honda	Miller, George
Clay	Hooley	Mollohan
Cleaver	Hoyer	Moore (KS)
Clyburn	Inslee	Moore (WI)
Conyers	Israel	Moran (VA)
Cooper	Jackson (IL)	Nadler
Costa	Jackson-Lee	Napolitano
Costello	(TX)	Neal (MA)
Cramer	Jefferson	Oberstar
Crowley	Johnson, E. B.	Obey
Cuellar	Jones (OH)	Oliver
Cummings	Kanjorski	Ortiz
Davis (AL)	Kaptur	Owens
Davis (CA)	Kennedy (RI)	Pallone
Davis (FL)	Kildee	Pascarell
Davis (TN)	Kilpatrick (MI)	Pastor
DeFazio	Kind	Payne
	Kucinich	Pelosi

NOT VOTING—15

Bono	Hobson	Murtha
Cox	Hulshof	Strickland
Everett	King (NY)	Sweeney
Granger	LaHood	Terry
Hastings (FL)	Menendez	Tiberi

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Ms. DEGETTE changed her vote from "aye" to "no."

Mr. OXLEY changed his vote from "no" to "aye."

So the motion to table was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS TO HAVE UNTIL MIDNIGHT JUNE 10, 2005, TO FILE PRIVILEGED REPORT ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2006

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Appropriations may have until midnight, June 10, 2005, to file a privileged report on a bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1 of rule XXI, points of order are reserved.

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS TO HAVE UNTIL MIDNIGHT JUNE 10, 2005, TO FILE PRIVILEGED REPORT ON SCIENCE, THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE, JUSTICE, AND COMMERCE AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2006

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Appropriations may have until midnight, June 10, 2005, to file a privileged report on a bill making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.